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A crowd gathers Sunday morning on Jarvis Street at the second annual Bridgeburg Car and Bike Show, hosted by Fort Erie Fire Department station no. 2 and the Bridgeburg Business Improvement Area. Organizers say favourable weather conditions brought out a large crowd and hope the event can become even bigger next year. Almost \$500 was collected through donations for Community Outreach Program Erie.

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## Council supports OHC

Local politicians  
agree with report  
that criticizes  
Niagara Health  
System

Kris Dubé  
The Times

The Town of Fort Erie is showing its support for the Ontario Health Coalition (OHC), who recently issued a report that is highly critical of the Niagara Health System (NHS) and its hospital improvement plan.

The report is the product of hearings held in 12 municipalities, including the southern tier of Niagara.

There are two recommendations in the report that local politicians agree need to be addressed.

The first suggests that the provincial government should "send an investigator under the provisions of the Public Hospitals Act to investigate serious complaints and unresolved issues in the NHS."

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## NHS wants to keep working with communities and officials

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This specifically refers to issues regarding financial, human resources, management and the accessibility to quality care in Niagara. In addition to investigating the previously mentioned issues, the OHC feels an immediate review and evaluation of the impact of the service cuts in Niagara should be conducted.

"This review should include meaningful and accessible public input," says the recommendation.

The second resolution supported by local elected officials is that the province should place a moratorium on closures of emergency departments.

"There is no appropriate assessment of capacity and policy to ensure reasonable access to urgent care in these regions and restructuring costs have not been assessed or approved," reads the report.

Chris Clark, chief communications officer for the NHS said public debate is fundamental when it comes to improving something as important as healthcare and that the OHC has been a "catalyst" for dialogue on healthcare matters locally, provincially and nationally.

alby. "The NHS wants to work constructively with communities and their elected members," said Clark.

A statistic: the NHS has regularly brought up during debate over its hospital plan is that 95 per cent of patients who used the emergency room at Douglas Memorial before the plan's implementation were being treated with the same level of care provided at urgent care centres.

The other five per cent are taken to a site with the proper equipment and medical professionals.

"Patients should receive their care at the most appropriate full-service emergency room, not necessarily the closest emergency room," said Clark.

Clark continued by saying that an investigation into the NHS would not change the realities faced by hospitals, saying the hospital plan addresses evidently deserved challenges relating to quality and resources.

"The NHS is committed to enhancing service and improving quality care to Niagaraans and the changes outlined in the HIP are fundamental to quality improvement," said Clark.

## Don't forget about connection bus

The Fort Erie-Niagara Falls Connection Bus has been in operation for a few weeks, designed to provoke local residents to seek employment in the Falls.

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# Concert lineup announced for Friendship Festival

**Hedley and Five Man Electrical Band headlining 24th annual event**

The schedule has been set for this year's Friendship Festival.

On the night of Friday July 2, the concert sponsored by the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation (OLG) will be headlined by Vancouver rock group Hedley, who took home numerous Much Music Video Awards last year and have even earned a handful of Canadian Radio Music Awards.

The concert will be opened by the Johnstones and Street Pharmacy, both of whom use a mix of ska-punk in their style of music.

Admission to all concerts at the festival is free.

"It's really fantastic that we are able to bring such an exciting Canadian musical group to Fort Erie through our OLG Presents Music program," said Rob Moore, a senior vice-president at OLG.

On July 3, there will be another free concert, featuring the Five Man Electrical Band, who are most known for their hit song

"Signs," that hit Billboard's top 100 list in 1971. On the same night, fans will also be treated to the sounds of "Summer Jam," a collective of musicians performing songs by iconic acts like the Grateful Dead, the Band and the Allman Brothers Band.

There will also be live entertainment at the Mother's Arch patio on July 1, 2 and 3 from noon to 7 p.m.

There will be a Canada Day concert on the patio, called "Songs Collide," a mix of hometown singers and songwriters performing their own material from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., with a break at 10 p.m. for the annual fireworks display.

For seating at Mother's Arch during the evening main stage concerts, for the

cost of \$10, contact the Friendship Festival office at (905) 871-6454.

Proceeds will benefit various local agencies.

The Mayor's Youth Advisory Committee will host a Battle of the Bands on July 2.

The second annual Celtic Gathering on July 4 features the Playford Players, Ancient Mariners, Toronto Morris Dancers, McPherson's Rant and Against the Grain.

These performances will take place at the Mother's Arch patio.

Many other features and attractions will also be a part of this year's festivities including rides, games, craft and food vendors, along with much more to do for the entire family, every day the festival runs.

## Helping Hands



Recently, students from Fort Erie Secondary School could be found at Community Living Fort Erie's Industrial Drive location planting flowers and beautifying the non-profit organization's local site. In its fifth year, the Helping Hands Initiative is designed to give back to the community in some way. This year, produce grown in one of the new gardens will benefit Community Outreach Program Erie.



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# Prosperity Initiative brings big dollars into north end

Various programs to benefit from recent investment

Kris Dubé  
The Times

Nearly \$300,000 is being invested into the North End, thanks to the Niagara Prosperity Initiative and its funding for 12 poverty-reduction neighbourhood development projects in the area.

The projects, that include after school and summer programs for youth, mental health counselling, reading programs for children and

parents, nutrition programs, a furniture bank and the summer inter-municipal transit system will be delivered to 10 local agencies.

The funding is part of a \$1.5 million investment in seven neighbourhoods identified as most in need throughout the region.

"Niagara's Prosperity Initiative is providing assistance and the tools to help individuals, families and neighbourhoods address and prevent poverty," said Brian Batty, regional councilor and co-chair of the Ontario Child Benefit program.

The Business Education Council acts as a secretariat for the initiative. Last year, Niagara Region community services developed a mapping tool to help guide decisions about which neighbourhoods should receive attention. The indicators used in the mapping tool included school readiness, income level, unemployment levels and the percentage of income spent on housing.

Seven neighbourhoods between Fort Erie, Port

Colborne, Welland, Niagara Falls, Grimsby and St. Catharines were identified as being most in need.

Projects to receive funding include the RAFT's after school program at Fort Erie

Elementary School, the Boys and Girls Club of Niagara, Crystal Beach Public School, Bridges Community Health Centre, Niagara Child and Youth Services, the John Howard Society, the Fort

Erie Multicultural Centre, among a few others.

In total, \$298,176 is being spent on a variety of programs and services benefitting by the recent announcement.

## Dog dollars



On Monday, the Fort Erie Lions Club donated a \$10,380 cheque to the Lions Guide Dog Foundation, raised at the recent "Let's Make it Happen" event at the Leisureplex. In the photo are Steven Parker, Dianne Parker, Rosalie Snyder, Dog Guides Foundation representative Helen Kempster, Joe Rosebrough and Richard Snyder.

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# Steam engine finds its way home

Former CNR diesel shop taken over by Niagara Railway Museum

Kris Dubé  
The Times

The Niagara Railway Museum (NRM) is proud to announce a recent addition to its family.

This week, the group of railway enthusiasts brought home the steam locomotive no. 46, an engine president and founder Ken Jones Jr. says in an integral part of this area's history.

It was built by an American locomotive company in New Jersey in the 1920s and was used by the Hydro Electric Power Commission in Niagara Falls, operating during the 1940s and 1950s.

Its new home is located at the museum's new headquarters on Warren Street, a building formerly used as the CNR's diesel shop until 1989.

On Tuesday, the steam locomotive was brought to its new Fort Erie home by trailer from Orillia, by a Sudbury-based company that spe-

cializes in the haulage of railway artifacts and equipment.

"It was a really good trip for me," said Jones Jr.

The locomotive will be added to a collection of about 20 other items, to the building that has been heavily vandalized since it shut its doors.

"It's a constant effort to keep people out of here," he said before adding that the Niagara Regional Police will be patrolling the area more frequently now that these valuable historical items are being stored there.

Jones Jr. estimates the NRM's goal of raising about \$50,000 for cosmetic restoration of the engine can be achieved through various events and open houses. He is also aiming to be open to the public by 2011.

He admits there is still a



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—Ken Jones Jr.

lot of work to accomplish, but bringing such an important part of local history back to where it originated is something he had to do. "It's rough, but it needed to be here," he said. "It's been sitting outside for most of its life."



President and founder of the Niagara Railway Museum Ken Jones Jr. stands next to the steam locomotive engine no. 46, that was transported to its new home in the former CNR diesel shop this week from the Orillia area. Jones Jr. is hoping the museum will be able to open its doors to the public by 2011.

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# opinion page

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### our editorial

## Parker would be so proud of everyone

Everything worked out exactly how its creator would have wanted.

The recent "Let's Make it Happen" fundraising event for the Lions Club Dog Guides Foundation was a huge success in so many ways.

It was originally the idea of well-known resident Rob Parker, who passed away earlier this year, likely when he was right in the middle of working out all the details for the event.

This week, the *Times* met with his friends and family, along with members of the local service club he was also a member of.

The reason for the meeting was to take a photo of a cheque pres-

entation to the foundation that benefited from Parker's event.

We attend many photo opportunities of this nature but this one was extra special.

Firstly, the Lions Club donated almost \$11,000 which is absolutely remarkable.

But even more importantly, there is no denying the fact that Parker would be more than pleased with the end result.

Everyone involved with organizing this event and making it such a success should be very proud of the exceptional effort put forward that will hopefully help this become an annual tradition.

-Kris Dubé



## Do You Remember?

Last week's photo shows Meretta and Gordon Hoyle receiving their prize from the Ridgeway-Crystal Beach Lions Club raffle.

They were the lucky winners of a brand new colour TV at Christmas time in the 1960's. Not only was it their first colour TV, but it was also one of the first colour

sets in their neighbourhood. It couldn't have come at a better time as Mr. Hoyle had just gotten out of the hospital. Thank you to Gordon and Meretta Hoyle as well as to their son Douglas and daughter-in-law Marie. Thanks as well to Janet Boyce, who identified Don Young on the far right and told us that Mr. Young's father and

grandfather both served as treasurers for Bertie Township. This week's photo shows some of Fort Erie's fine firefighters in full uniform. Which fire station is this and who are these men? If you know, please call the museum at (905) 894-5322 or send an email to [museum@forterie.on.ca](mailto:museum@forterie.on.ca).

## Editor looking forward to local summer events



**Kris Dubé**  
Editor's Notebook

There's nothing better than an old-fashioned Fort Erie summer.

Even though the season doesn't officially change for another few

weeks, it feels like it already has and I'm looking forward to what lies in the near future.

I apologize if readers find me to be repetitive, regularly explaining how much it irks me to hear people my age complain about the lack of events to enjoy locally but I need to once more to prove my point this week.

If you feel this way

halfway through the summer... then there's something wrong with you.

I'll admit I'm not a fan of Hedley, the headlining concert act at this year's Friendship Festival, but that doesn't mean I'm not looking forward to the 24th run of Fort Erie's most prolific event.

This also doesn't mean I'm criticizing organizers of the festival for their

choice... because I'm fully aware they are extremely popular and will definitely draw a large crowd... and that's what it's all about.

The Fort Erie Music Fest is slated to take place again at Waterfront Park in Crystal Beach. Ridgefest will face adversity with the makeover of Ridge Road and still be held.

I could go on for quite

a bit here.

There is no shortage of entertainment this summer and proud local residents should be looking forward to most of them.

I know I am.

I've only used a mere portion of events going on this summer as examples in this column and I don't want people to feel I'm overlooking the many that I failed to mention.

There are many we plan to cover since we have already been contacted, but if you are the organizer of an event that we may not be aware of yet... please let us know because we are probably just as enthusiastic about it as you.

Feel free to leave me feedback at (905) 871-3100 ext. 207 or send me an email at [editor@forterietimes.com](mailto:editor@forterietimes.com).

## opinion page

# Yellow Shirt Brigade joins Hudak at Queen's Park on Tuesday

Dear Editor,

What a bright sunny day it was again on Tuesday and we helped brighten the question and answer session of the Legislature at Queen's Park, as we sat there proudly wearing our bright yellow shirts.

The Yellow Shirt Brigade was invited to Queens Park on Tuesday by Tim Hudak, Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of Ontario. Twelve of us went and had a great day.

Tim spoke to us in his office, prior to our seating in the gallery, and we openly discussed the health care problems in Niagara and the dangerous situation that we, in Fort Erie and Port Colborne, are facing.

We gave him a report put out by the Town of Fort Erie which is an information update on the Douglas Memorial Hospital and also told the story endured by Ward 3 Coun. Bob Steckley and his family.

Bob's 16 year old son was diagnosed in the Douglas Memorial Hospital with acute appendicitis, then, waited for hours in a hospital, waiting to be seen by a surgeon. His appendix ruptured.

Had this taken place

before health cuts to Fort Erie, while we still had an operating room and available surgeons, his appendix would have been removed immediately upon diagnosis and recovery would most likely have been unremarkable.

This is just one case of so many that we hear every day.

I am sure that I speak up for the others in the Yellow Shirt Brigade when I say that I was pleased to see Tim Hudak stand up for health care in our community and challenge this government to direct health care dollars to where they should go. They should go to front line health care. They should not be used for high salaries and expenses.

Kim Craitor came into the gallery and sat with us for a while during the session, as did Tim Hudak, and Andrea Horwath came out and talked to us after it was over. Both Kim and Andrea have shown their support all along and we appreciate all they are doing. Andrea invited us to the Legislature several times and I am sure Kim would welcome us as usual, but I cannot see the Liberal party issuing us a personal invitation.

Perhaps I am wrong. Debbie Matthews, minister of health did wear a bright yellow shirt and the minister of finance had on a yellow tie.

Wouldn't it be nice if they really did care?

As I said to the health minister, while looking her in the eye, "You all know the old saying... keep your friends close and your enemies closer."

I am sure she knew what I meant.

Once again, keep in mind that an election year is coming and we have to do it right this time.

Vote for the one that is willing to stand up and fight for equal and accessible health care to all residents of Ontario.

Vote for the right person, the one that will put your wishes first. Do not just follow old family traditions and practice.

It does not matter who started it. It matters who stops it! Remember too that we are still growing and will continue to grow and be heard.

Joy Russell  
Yellow Shirt Brigade

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# Rio Vista Retirees in full swing with 46 golfers

Dear Editor,

It was another weekly event this Wednesday morning for our Rio Vista seniors.

A turn-out of 46 golfers shows how popular these events are but also illustrates how much these seniors enjoy the game of golf, but also how fond they are of socializing with guys just like themselves.

The event this week was the popular Texas Scramble

format and at least two drives must be used by each player.

It was very competitive and scores were low. The winning foursome with a 24 net went to Earl Sims, Nick Langelaan, Clive Acaster and Stan Hislop.

Because of a tie, the runners-up with a 24.75 net had to be decided by retrogression... they were Dennis Hutton, John White, Pat Ryan and Barry Hopkins.

The weekly draw was picked up by John Corry and the free pass went to Gerry Perdue. Next week will be the 3-2-1 format. Golfers are asked to remember the event starts at 8 a.m. and you need to register by 7:45 a.m.

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One Fort Erie student representative attending a post secondary institution.

Expressions of interest for consideration of appointment to the Fort Erie Active Transportation Advisory Committee are invited from residents. Applications must be submitted on the form available on the Town's website [www.forterie-on.ca](http://www.forterie-on.ca) under the heading "Town of Fort Erie - Business Opportunities". Applications must be submitted to the Clerk's Office and will be received by the undersigned up to and including Wednesday, June 9, 2010 at 4:00 pm.

Purpose: To provide a committee for residents, elected officials and health professionals to meet on a monthly basis for the purpose of improving conditions for people powered transportation (walking, biking, rollerblading) for utilitarian and recreational purposes.

**Disabilities:**

- To be a liaison for Fort Erie which supports active transportation.
- To act in an advisory capacity to Town Council and staff on issues specific to active transportation i.e. connectivity, bike lanes and safe and active routes to school.
- To provide an open forum to deal with issues related to active transportation and advocate for infrastructure improvements.
- To create and highlight opportunities for the general public to learn about and advocate for active transportation in Fort Erie.

**Composition of Committee:** The Active Transportation Advisory Committee shall be composed of the following members: One Member of Council; Six residents from the Fort Erie community, including one person with a disability; One Fort Erie student representative attending a post secondary institution; One Fort Erie student representative attending a post secondary institution; Staff support; General Manager of CCGO, Town Planner, Health Promoter(s); Compensation: Not applicable.

**Meeting schedule:** The Committee shall meet every month and at the call of the Chair. Subcommittees will be formed as necessary and will determine their own meeting times and dates.

**Term:** For the period ending January 31, 2015.

Chair: Councillor J. Kett, Town Clerk.

1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, ON L2A 2S6  
Telephone: (905) 871-1600/Fax No. 905-871-4022  
email: [clerk@forterie-on.ca](mailto:clerk@forterie-on.ca)

Personal information is being collected pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and by-Law No. 183-07 and will be used for the purposes of appointing members to the Board.

## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS/TENDERS/QUOTATIONS

(1) **REQUEST FOR QUOTATION**

#09 - 2010

**MATTHEW ROAD/MICHENER ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS**

Sealed requests for quotation clearly marked as to content, will be received by N.P. Smidhousen, Manager of Supply & Services, at the **WEEDNESDAY JUNE 16, 2010 at 2:00 P.M.**

Quotations may be submitted to: Brett Ruck, Drainage Department, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie ON L2A 2S6, starting **WEDNESDAY JUNE 3, 2010**.

Quotations concerning this project may be directed to Brett Ruck, Drainage Superintendent at 905-871-1600 ext 2408 or Tom Kudhy, Manager of Engineering, 905-871-1600 ext 2402.

(2) **THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF FORT ERIE**  
**TENDER COS-04-2010 - FORT ERIE SKATEPARK**

Sealed tender clearly marked as to content will be received by Carolyn Kett, Town Clerk, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, Ontario, until 2:30 p.m. local time on

**Wednesday June 16, 2010**

Tenders will be opened publicly at the Fort Erie Town Hall, Conference Room No. 1, immediately following closing time.

The work consists of the construction of an approximate 8,500 square foot poured-in-place concrete skatepark, in addition to associated drainage and landscape works.

Tender documents may be obtained on Wednesday June 2, 2010 from the Community and Development Services Department, on payment of \$75.75 (excluding GST) cash or certified cheque. Payment is non-refundable. Cheques to be made payable to The Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie.

A site meeting will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday June 9, 2010. The site meeting will convene in the atrium of Fort Erie Town Hall, located at 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, Ontario.

The Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie reserves the right to reject any or all tenders and the lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

Please direct questions to Bill Gurney, LANDINC 416-657-8881 ext 205.

The engineering services required will include:

(2) **TOWN OF FORT ERIE**

**RIDGE ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS**

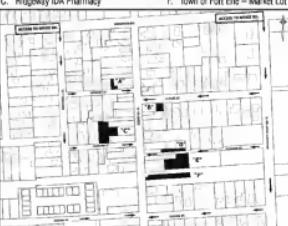
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Sherron Miller, P.Eng.  
Senior Project Manager, Town of Fort Erie

Phone (905) 871-1600 ext 2413  
Email: [smiller@forterie-on.ca](mailto:smiller@forterie-on.ca)

Mr. Brett Terpovich  
Construction Supervisor  
Kerry T. Howe Engineering Limited

Cell Phone (905) 327-1078

Thanks for your patience and cooperation!

(3) **REQUEST FOR QUOTATION - #07 - 2010**

**2010 ROUTING AND CRACK SEALING PROGRAM**

Sealed requests for quotation clearly marked as to content, will be received by N.P. Smidhousen, Manager of Supply & Services,

at the **MONDAY JUNE 14, 2010 at 2:00 P.M.**

Quotation forms may be picked up at the Town Hall - Engineering Department, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie ON L2A 2S6, starting **MONDAY JUNE 3, 2010**.

Quotations concerning this project may be directed to Tom Kudhy, Manager of Engineering, 905-871-1600 ext. 2402.

(4) **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**  
**ORRANGE ENGINEERING SERVICES**

The Corporation of the Town of Fort Erie is inviting proposals from qualified consulting drainage engineering firms for professional engineering services for the following project:

**PREPARATION FOR A NEW ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR**  
**THE SOUTH SUBTERRAIN OF THE BEAVER CREEK MUNICIPAL DRAIN**

ISE-01-2010

The engineering services required will include:

- Following the procedures as designated under the Drainage Act 1990 c17 and,
- Preparation of a New Engineer's Report under Section 4 of the Drainage Act within the Town of Fort Erie

Specific project requirements are detailed in the **Proposed Call Documents**.

Selection criteria within the request for proposal include: qualifications and experience in similar projects, project team and financial criteria and other items as contained in the **Proposed Call Documents**.

Proposed Call Documents may be obtained and viewed commencing, Monday, June 7th, 2010 in the Infrastructure Services Department at the Town of Fort Erie Municipal Centre.

Proposals will be received until 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday June 15th, 2010 at the Municipal Centre, 1 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie, Ontario L2A 2S6.

For further information, please contact Brett Ruck, Drainage Superintendent, at (905)871-1600, extension 2408, or email to [bruck@forterie-on.ca](mailto:bruck@forterie-on.ca).



# Fort Erie Secondary School student finishes third at national competition



Grade 12 student Doug Calvert shows off some of his medals he won this year taking part in precision machining competitions across Canada. This was the first year Fort Erie Secondary School was represented at the national level.

Doug Calvert represents FESS in its first appearance at the Canada Skills Competition

Matt Day  
The Times

For the first time in Fort Erie Secondary School's history, the school can finally say one of its students has successfully competed with the best in Canada at the Canadian Skills Competition held in Waterloo this year.

And what makes this accomplishment so unique is just how Doug Calvert fared at the precision machining competition.

After successfully defeating the rest of the competition at the District School Board of Niagara finals, the regional and the provincial finals, Calvert was invited to the nationals... a place no other FESS student has been.

"We had no idea what to expect there," said Paul Bernier, the school's precision machining teacher.

"Once he began, it was very clear that he was in it to win it."

Although Calvert didn't take home gold, he said he was extremely happy finishing third with one out per cent differentiating him from the rest of the competition.

"I'm not disappointed at all. I was competing against students who go to schools specifically geared to this kind of thing and knowing I was only one per cent off of them was great."

Bernier said he has been to the provincial championships eight times in the last 10 years, but has never advanced to the nationals.

He said it was Calvert's meticulous work ethic that made him stand out from the other students. "He's a smart kid and doesn't get stressed under pressure. His math and science knowledge is also phenomenal and that helped him a lot."

Calvert said he wasn't nervous about representing Ontario at the national level held during the end of May.

"I walked into the competition not viewing it as one I just wanted to do my best because that's all you can do," he said. "Plus, I like this kind of work and if you don't like what you're doing, you take no pride in your final product."

Although his skills at precision machining are top notch in Canada at a Grade 12 level, he said this isn't the field he will be going into for post secondary education.

Calvert plans on taking a computer engineering program and is also in the midst of creating his own custom component in Bernier's shop.

Bernier said much of the credit needs to go to Aerospace Technologies who always accept co-op students into their work environment to gain a better understanding of the field.

As for the relationship Bernier said with Calvert, he said it's more than a teacher to student one.

"I consider Doug more of a friend than a student and we have huge mutual respect for one another."

Fort Erie Secondary School's Spencer Brown finished right behind Calvert at the DSB competition.

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# Senior football team re-locating to RCBHS

Kris Dubé  
The Times

Major changes to the local high school football circuit are on their way.

Starting in September, the Fort Erie Secondary School (FESS) Falcons senior team will be re-locating to Ridgeway-Crystal Beach High School (RCBHS) and will officially become the Blue

Deviels.

In recent years, the Falcons consisted of one team made up of students in grades 9, 10, 11 and senior high schools. Now, FESS will only have a junior team and the senior team will be based out of RCBHS, playing its games behind the Crystal Ridge Community Centre. Last year's Falcons team had 12

RCBHS students on the roster, most of whom will be returning to play for their home school in the upcoming season.

Calvin Nigh, a history teacher at RCBHS, will be taking the reigns as head coach for the team that is making its comeback after 36 years and is very excited to bring back an old past time at the high school that hasn't

existed since the 1970s.

"It feels great and I have 60 kids who want to play," he said.

Sometimes it was a challenge for RCBHS students, travelling to the opposite end of Greater Fort Erie for regular practices and Nigh says the majority of the returning members are looking forward to this no longer being an issue. And at the same

time, they are excited to play for their own school.

"The players really want the team in Ridgeway," he said.

The biggest play the team is running right now is reaching out to the community for fundraising, as there isn't enough money in the budget for equipment to dress the entire team. Nigh is hoping a goal of \$20,000 can be

reached through various events scheduled during the remainder of the school year and during the summer, including a game up in Sarnia, where they will compete in the Southern Ontario Secondary Schools Association zone 3 division.

"They just need equipment... football is expensive."

To make a donation, contact Nigh at (905) 894-3461.

## Meteors looking for new bench boss during off-season

Matt Day  
The Times

It's something that Tony Passero is not used to defining.

For the second straight year, the Fort Erie Junior B Meteors will be looking for a new bench boss after last year's new head coach, Yvan Charrois, decided to call it quits.

Charrois was given the opportunity to coach along-  
side Murray Nyström, Brocks University, and although he's leaving the Meteors after only one year, Passero said there are no hard feelings.

"It's a good step up for him. He told me about the situation and yes, it does leave us in a bit of a hole right now but he's moving up and that's something we

firmly believe in as an organization," said Passero.

The Meteors organization never had to worry about head coaching issues prior to last year thanks to the long-term commitment from Wayne Grout.

That relationship turned out to create the formula of what the Meteors need: a head coach who is a head coach, someone who is geared toward the development of young players and helping them succeed not only in Junior B hockey, but potentially in more competitive leagues.

"We need a guy who is dedicated six and seven days a week towards making our team better. It's not a part-time deal," stressed Passero. "Having said that, if there comes a time where a new coach is needed I know I can step in

such as playing Fort Erie players and young kids so everyone can get a chance on the ice."

He said he wants a coach who believes in the same principles as the rest of the veteran organization, but can also offer up fresh new ideas in bettering the team of 16 to 20 players. Passero pointed out they are not looking for any assistant coaches and that a July 1 soft deadline has been set. "If we don't feel any of the guys interviewed are the right fit to the team, then we aren't done searching," said Passero. "Having said that, if there comes a time where a new coach is needed I know I can step in

and do the job no problem."

Meanwhile, the players are already preparing for next season having participated in team skates this week.

Passero said he already invited out some prospects they have been interested in signing and is hoping the trend of losing many of the team's core guys doesn't continue.

"I'm hoping to trust the players this year and it's tough. I understand some other teams are going to

double offers in front of them, but we'll stand up about next year's team."

He said he was excited knowing a few of the club's new, young talent has already committed to the team for the 2010-11 season.

As for who will be head coach of that team, Passero is in the early stages of conducting interviews.

"I'm disappointed I have to do this all over again, but again, you have to do what you have to do."

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# Man tasered in home invasion

Police believe culprits were looking for residence's previous occupants

Police are looking for two males who are believed to be responsible for tasing another local resident, after

a home invasion on Dufferin Street.

The incident took place at approximately 12:40 a.m. Tuesday, when the two males entered the residence, using a taser on one of the occupants of the home.

The victim was not injured but taken to hospital as a precaution. The victim's wallet and cell phone were taken by the suspects.

The Niagara Regional Police (NRP) believe the suspects may have been looking for a previous tenant of the residence, but it is not clear at this time what the motive was. The case is now being investigated by detectives from the No. 5 district.

Anyone with information about this home invasion is urged to contact the NRP at (905) 688-4111.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE #4

Niagara to GTA Corridor Planning and Environmental Assessment Study  
Phase 1

The public is invited to attend the fourth round of Public Information Centres (PICs) to review and comment on the draft multi-modal Transportation Development Strategy for the Niagara to GTA (Niagara to GTA) Corridor Planning and Environmental Assessment Study.

These will be drop-in style open house sessions to allow members of the public to review display material and discuss the study one-on-one with study team members. In addition, brief presentations will be provided each night at 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. to provide an overview of the study.

**Thursday, June 17, 2010**  
4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
Royal Canadian Legion  
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**Wednesday, June 23, 2010**  
4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
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Merrith Hall  
630 Trinity Road, RR #1  
Jerseyville

Information to be presented at the PICs will be available on the study website beginning on June 17, 2010. Comments may also be submitted via the study website at: [www.niagatogta.ca](http://www.niagatogta.ca).

### THE STUDY

Phase 1 of the Planning and Environmental Assessment (EA) Study for the NiGTA Corridor, Initiated by the Ontario Ministry of Transportation (MTO), supports the transportation objectives of the provincial Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe by providing for the efficient movement of people and goods within the corridor.

Phase 1 of this study has included the following key steps:

- develop a Study Plan (PIC #1);
- identify transportation problems and opportunities (PIC #2);
- identify and assess transportation alternatives that address the identified problems and opportunities (PIC #3); and
- select preferred transportation alternative(s) and recommend a multi-modal Transportation Development Strategy (PIC #4).

### THE PROCESS

The Niagara to GTA Corridor Planning and EA study is being undertaken in accordance with the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act (EA Act) and the EA Terms of Reference, which was approved by the Minister of the Environment in June 2008.

### COMMENTS

Comments and information regarding this study will be collected to assist the MTO. This material will be maintained on file for use during the project and may be included in project documentation to meet the requirements of the EA Act. Information collected will be used in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and the Access to Information Act. With the exception of personal information (e.g., name and address), all comments will become part of the public record.

For further information, to be added to the mailing list for this study, please visit the study website or contact:

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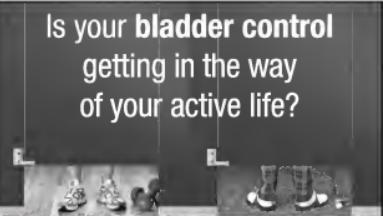
Recently, the Greater Fort Erie Businesses Success and Loan Centre celebrated its 25-year anniversary at Bridgewater Country Club. Since its inception in 1985 under a different name, 4,200 clients have been served and \$8,000,000 in loans have been awarded to aspiring entrepreneurs. At the recent event are director Chris Corbin, left, director Bob Payne, president Gerald Ruch, secretary to the board Phyllis Barnett, director Tim Leach and manager and loans officer Helen McCreadie. For more information, call (905) 871-7331.

## Boy gives family a scare

Police have located a 12-year-old boy that was missing overnight on Tuesday. He was last seen by his family at 3:30 p.m. and when he didn't return home by midnight, his parents contacted the Niagara Regional Police (NRP).

A press release was issued shortly after.

Shortly before 9 a.m. on Wednesday morning, the NRP updated the initial press release, saying the 12-year-old boy had been located at a friend's residence around 7 a.m.



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## Deaths

**BAYES, William Warren** - Born on May 1, 1927. William passed away on Saturday, May 29, 2010 at the age of 83 years. He was predeceased by his wife Georgina Bayes (nee Ward) and his parents Alberta and William Bayes. He is survived by his best friend "Kate" and his dear friends Ellen Bernier and Sam Bernier. William was a member of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch #71 and retired from the Ontario Provincial Police, Harley Motorcycle Division in Toronto. Cremation will be followed by a private service. Donations in his memory may be made to the Fort Erie Community Foundation. WILLIAMS FUNERAL HOME, 722 Ridge Road North, Ridgeway. On-line guest register at www.williamsfuneralhome.ca



**MacDONALD, George Harold** - Surrounded by his family, George passed away at the Douglas Memorial Hospital on June 1, 2010 at the age of 89 years. A loving husband for nearly 62 years of Rhoda. Proud father of Eli MacDonald. Cherished Papa of Leigh Clemens, Tish (Kevin) Smith, Cheryl MacDonald and Christopher MacDonald. Sadly missed by great grandchildren Jake Clemens, Phillip and Justin Smith. Honourary Papa of John and Sarah Rose Radovanicovs. Also survived by his daughter in law Dene MacDonald, his sisters Lola and Eva and his brother Norman, many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. Predeceased by his son George and his wife Orna. A veteran of WWII George served with the Royal Canadian Air Force ground crew. He was a retired Customs officer and a proud member of Royal Canadian Legion Branch #71. BENNER FUNERAL SERVICES, 1105 Benner Ave., Fort Erie, ON L2A 1L2. Friends and the family will receive friends on Sunday from 7-9 pm and Monday from 2-4 & 7-9 pm. Funeral Services will be conducted in the Benner Funeral Chapel on Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Interment to follow in McNeill Cemetery. If so desired, donations to the Poppy Fund or Br #71 or to the Bethel Pentecostal Assembly would be appreciated by the family.

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